



2015 FALL MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE

I. CITY OF SANTA CLARA SPRING BASKETBALL LEAGUE

- A. The 2015 Fall Men's Basketball season will begin the week of Tuesday, October 6, 2015. All games will be played at Youth Activity Center (2450 Cabrillo Ave. Santa Clara, 95051).
- B. **Leagues:** Tuesdays, Men's "D" League (6 teams)
Wednesdays, Men's "C2" Level (6 teams)
Thursdays, Men's "C1" Level (6 teams)
- C. **Resident Team Fees:** \$425.00 per team. (5 games and playoffs, Top 4 teams T.B.D.)
Subject to change pending the number of registered teams. Resident teams comprise 51% or more players living or working in the City of Santa Clara on current roster. Checks are to be made payable to the "City of Santa Clara." Fees are due when registering for league. No exceptions!
- D. **Non-Resident Team Fees:** \$495.00 per team. (5 games and playoffs, Top 4 teams T.B.D.)
Subject to change pending the number of registered teams. Non-resident teams comprise less than 51% City of Santa Clara residents on current roster. Checks are to be made payable to the "City of Santa Clara." Fees are due when registering for league. No exceptions!
- E. **Proof of residency:** **ALL PLAYERS** claiming residency or working in the City of Santa Clara must show current proof when registering for league. (Ex: Valid California Driver's License, current rental receipt, utility bill or phone bill, bank statement, business card, paycheck stub, etc.)
- F. **Registration Time Table:** All registration will be accepted at the **Santa Clara Community Recreation Center, 969 Kiely Blvd., between 5:30 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.** only on the date listed below:

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Do not mail or fax registration!!

<u>Date(s):</u>	<u>Priority</u>	
Thursday September 3	#1	<u>New Resident and Returning Teams:</u> 5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. Teams comprise at least 51% or more players living or working in the City of Santa Clara. Teams having 51% or more returning players on Santa Clara Roster from the 2014 Fall season. (Returning teams are not guaranteed a spot under this priority. First come, first served).
Thursday September 3	#2	<u>Non-Resident Teams:</u> 6:15 p.m.-6:45 p.m. Teams that do not qualify under the above priorities (if space is available).

II. **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

A. **Registration Procedure:** The following must be submitted at the time of registration:

1. Check, credit card, money order, or cash for league entry fee.
2. **Completed roster with a minimum of 8 players and maximum of 12 players and their addresses.** Incomplete rosters will not be accepted.
Liability release forms and league fees. Complete your roster **PRIOR** to registration time.
3. No holds or reservations can be made for any team. Teams meeting their registration priority are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis.
4. Only one roster accepted per individual.
5. Teams who miss their registration priority time may register during the subsequent priority times. After September 3rd, e-mail League Director, Milee Beaulieu (mbeaulieu@santaclaraca.gov) to check for league opening.
6. **Check-in at the front desk. Numbers will be given out to team managers, no earlier than 5pm.**
7. Teams that participate in one game automatically forfeit their right to reclaim any part of their entry fee if they drop or are suspended from the league.

B. **Time Table**

September 3	Registration date for new resident and returning teams to register.
September 3	Registration date for new non-resident teams to register.
September 30	Mandatory Managers meeting 6:00PM at the Community Recreation Center, 969 Kiely Blvd.
October 6 – 8	League play begins.

III. **ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUE RULES**

A. **Schedule and Playoff Procedure**

1. League will consist of 6 teams and play a 5 game schedule (**subject to change pending the number of teams registered**).
2. League championship will be determined by playoff between top four teams.
3. Ties in the final standings will be broken by head to head play results during the season between the teams involved.

B. **Team and Player Eligibility**

1. No players under 18 years of age will be eligible to participate and no high school students are eligible to play. Note: High school class must have graduated to be eligible. Current High school and collegiate players are not permitted on any level.
2. Teams are limited to a roster of a minimum of 8 players and maximum of 12 players.

3. Only players submitting a signed liability release are eligible to play. Filing deadline is Friday, October 2, 2015.
4. Any team that plays with a player who has not submitted a liability release form is subject to forfeiture of all league games in which that player participated. A player who is proven to be an ineligible player is automatically suspended for the season.
5. A player must participate in 2 league games in order to be eligible for playoffs.
6. Players can only play on **one** team in the City of Santa Clara.
7. Teams winning league will be moved to a higher league. Teams finishing at the bottom will be required to participate in a lower league.

C. **Roster and Liability Release Forms**

1. All players must have a signed liability release form on file by 5:00 p.m. at the Community Recreation Center office on the day of their first game in order to be eligible to participate. Liability forms can be e-mailed to the league director.
2. Players may be released any time during the season with the manager's approval. A player must sit out one week before being added to another team.
3. New players may not be added after the evening of the 2nd week of the season. Managers who lose players during the season through injury may petition the league director for replacement of said player. In the event the player returns before the season ends, the manager must decide which player he wants to keep.
4. All players must adhere to the "SANCRA Sports Code of Conduct." A player suspended in one city will be automatically suspended throughout the Santa Clara County.
5. Liability release forms will **NOT** be accepted at the gym.

D. **Governing Body**

The Recreation Supervisor in charge of sports shall serve as league director and has **final** authority to make decisions pertaining to all league rules and regulations.

E. **Liability**

Persons or players participating in activities sponsored by the City of Santa Clara Parks and Recreation Department are not covered in any way for personal liability, property loss or damage. This means players competing in this program are to assume all responsibility in case of losses, accidents, or injuries suffered while participating in any of the leagues.

IV. **PLAYING RULES**

A. Official high school rules for the present season shall cover all situations except the following:

1. **Technical Fouls**: Player receiving two technical fouls for misconduct is automatically ejected from the game.
2. **Ejections**: Any player ejected from a game for any reason will be suspended for at least one game. Repeated offenses will result in expulsion from the league. Players who use the tactic of taunting opponents or officials by "talking trash" either directly or indirectly (body language) is subject to ejection (with or without warning from officials) and suspension for a minimum of two games. Ejected players have one minute to leave the gym. If player does not leave the gym in one minute, the game will be forfeited.

3. Personal Fouls: Players committing their 5th foul are automatically disqualified for the remainder of the game. Player may not return under any circumstances.
4. Starting Players: Teams may start a game with 4 players. Teams may NOT play with 3 players. Teams down to 3 players will not be allowed to continue.
5. Dunking: No dunking or hanging on the rim will be allowed during the game or in warm-ups due to the possibility of damage to the facility. Any player dunking or hanging on the rim before, during or after the game will be suspended for the remainder of the season.
6. Uniforms: Each team must have enough numbered jerseys with a permanent number on the front and back. Players from the same team may not have the same number. **No taped numbers**. Jerseys must be of the same color. Players not meeting this requirement will be assessed a two-shot technical foul if allowed to enter the game by officials.
7. Time Limit: Games will be divided into two 20-minute halves with 5 minutes between each half. Running clock except for time outs. **The clock will stop on all whistles during the last two minutes of the game if the score is 10 points or less at the two-minute mark.**
8. Time Outs: Each team is allowed 2 time outs per half. Each time out is one minute in length. Each team will receive one additional time out in each over time period. Time outs do not carry over.
9. Overtime Procedure: In case of a tie game there will be a three-minute overtime period immediately following the end of regulation time. **The clock will stop on all whistles during the last two minutes of the game if the score is 10 points or less at the two-minute mark.**

Second Overtime: If the game is tied at the end of the first overtime period, the second overtime period will be sudden death, with the first team to score two points winning the game.
10. Free Throws: Bonus (one and one) free throws are shot on the 7th team foul in each half. Two free throws are shot on the 10th team foul in each half.
11. Three Point Shot: In effect throughout the game. Player must have BOTH feet completely behind the 3-point arc when he leaves the floor.
12. Official Score: The score in the scorebook shall be the official score regardless of what is indicated on the scoreboard.
13. Substitutions: All substitutions must report to the official scorekeeper. The scorekeeper will allow a player to enter the game on any dead ball situation. Substitutions must be made quickly as the clock continues to run. On a two shot free throw, the player can not enter the game until after the first shot has been attempted.
14. Protests: Shall be based on the interpretation of the rules only. Protests involving the judgment of the officials shall not be considered or received. Protests during regular league play will be decided by the League Director. Protests during league play-offs must be settled immediately on the court.

B. **Forfeits**

1. Five minute grace period for first game **only**. Second and third games of the evening will not be allowed a grace period. Team must have 4 players ready to take the court or game will be declared a forfeit.
2. **A team shall be fined \$65.00 if they forfeit a game.** Fine is payable at the Community Recreation Center before their next game or a second forfeit will be declared and the team will be dropped from the league.
3. No postponement or rescheduling of league games shall be allowed. The league director may only make changes necessary to the league schedule.
4. Forfeits may be declared by the league director for any of the following violations:
 - a. Failure to start game with at least 4 players, 5 minutes after scheduled game time.
 - b. Using an ineligible player. City of Santa Clara staff may check eligibility.
 - c. Unsportsmanlike conduct by a team or player.
 - d. Lack of control by a manager over his players and/or spectators.
 - e. Harassment of the officials.
5. Game officials have the authority to declare a forfeit at any time. Any team receiving two (2) technical fouls for unsportsmanlike conduct in a single game will automatically forfeit that game and face possible expulsion from the league.
6. If there is a double forfeit, both teams will be credited with a loss.
7. Suspended teams lose all money and have no right to play in the final play-offs even though they may have a winning record.

C. **School/Center Regulations**

1. No tobacco products or drinking alcohol by players or spectators.
2. No abusive or profane language by players or spectators.
3. No food or drink allowed in the gym.
4. Parking is restricted to the parking lots.
5. Pets are not allowed on School District/Center properties.
6. Keep the gymnasium floor clear of all people except participants of the game in progress. Spectators and players waiting for the next game must stay off the playing court. No shooting on the side baskets while a game is in progress will be permitted.

All rules implemented by the Santa Clara Unified School District regarding conduct of participants while on school district property shall be strictly enforced.

V. **Miscellaneous Information**

- A. **Awards**: T-shirts will be awarded to the 1st place team of each league.
- B. **Managers**: Remember you are responsible for knowing these rules. The League Director will consider team registration as acknowledgment of having read the rules. Managers are also responsible for informing their players of these rules.



1. NO PARTICIPANT OR SPECTATOR SHALL be guilty of a physical attack, lay a hand upon, push, shove, strike or kick an official, participant, coach, agency representative, manager, or another spectator. Officials are required to immediately suspend participant from further play and report participant to League Director. The participant shall remain suspended until his/her case is considered by the League Director.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from one (1) league game and placed on probation for the remainder of season.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Lifetime suspension and/or felonious assault charges filed.(CA Penal Code Sec. 243.8)

2. NO PARTICIPANT SHALL be guilty of leaving his or her offensive, defensive position or respective dugout areas to further incite any verbal or physical confrontation between players on the field or court.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Immediate ejection with possible further sanctions dispensed by league office.

NOTE: In the event said player(s) cannot be identified, the first, second, third, etc. Player(s) in the line-up are subject to being removed from the game.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Forfeiture and/or double forfeiture of game and player suspensions as determined by league office up to life and/or felonious assault charges filed.

3. NO PARTICIPANT OR SPECTATOR SHALL be guilty of damaging or defacing agency, school district or sanctioned facilities. Officials or agency representative are required to immediately suspend individual and report incident to League Director.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from further play until financial responsibility is met by individual and/or team AND probation for remainder of the season.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Lifetime suspension.

4. NO PARTICIPANT SHALL be guilty of an abusive verbal attack, including "trash talking" or taunting any participant, official, agency representative, or spectator. Officials are required to immediately suspend the participant from further play. The infraction will be reported to the League Director. This violation additionally includes "after the incident" communication or correspondence in follow up discussions.

MINIMUM PENALTY: One (1) game suspension.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Four (4) game suspension and/or one year from time of incident.

5. NO PARTICIPANT SHALL use deliberately rough tactics during a game against the body and person of an opposing participant. Officials are required to immediately suspend participant from further play and report incident to League Director.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended for one year from time of incident.

6. NO PARTICIPANT SHALL refuse to abide by an official's decision or be guilty of verbal or forceful demonstrations of dissent to an official's decision. The degree of infraction shall, in the official's judgment, draw:

MINIMUM PENALTY: Removal from the game.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended for one year from time of incident.

7. NO PARTICIPANT SHALL be guilty of intentionally throwing a bat or item of playing equipment. Officials are required to immediately suspend the participant from further play and report such player to the League Director.

MINIMUM PENALTY: One (1) game suspension.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended for one year from time of incident.

8. NO PARTICIPANT SHALL appear in, on or around a facility at any time under the influence or in possession of a controlled substance, or in an intoxicated condition. Officials are required to suspend participant from further play and report such player to the League Director.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension from two (2) league games and placed on probation for the remainder of season.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended for one year from time of incident.

9. NO TEAM OR TEAMS SHALL engage in physical aggression upon each other, officials, agency representatives, field supervisors, or spectators. Officials shall immediately suspend play and report, in writing, the incident to the League Director. Decision by League Director shall involve:

MINIMUM PENALTY: Forfeiture of game by one or both teams involved with suspension of one additional

game and probation of one year from time of incident.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Dropping of one or both teams from SANCRA member leagues for life.

10. NO MANAGER, PARTICIPANT, CAPTAIN, OR TEAM REPRESENTATIVE SHALL, at any time be guilty of utilizing a non-roster or ineligible participant; or falsify the identification or age of any participant or person on an official league or tournament sports roster. Such falsification, intentional or otherwise, and with or without that participant or person's knowledge, shall be just cause for disciplinary action. The infraction will be reported to the League Director.

MINIMUM PENALTY: One year probation from time of incident.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: One year suspension from time of incident.

11. NO MANAGER, TEAM REPRESENTATIVE OR PARTICIPANT SHALL, at any time use illegal equipment (i.e altered, ASA banned or illegal bat; metal cleats; exposed, dangerous jewelry).

MINIMUM PENALTY: Immediate ejection from the game AND one (1) game suspension.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Lifetime suspension.

12. NO MANAGER, TEAM REPRESENTATIVE OR PARTICIPANT SHALL, at any time, commit a fraudulent act

(including gambling upon any play or outcome of any game) concerning any organized SANCRA event, function or sports tournament. Such act shall be cause for disciplinary action.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Probation for the remainder of the season.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Suspended for one year from time of incident.

13. EACH TEAM MEMBER IS RESPONSIBLE to insure that payments made to SANCRA, ASA, or member cities (i.e. entry fees, tournament fees, facility costs, etc.), are valid and any costs incurred due to insufficient funds are the entire team's responsibility.

MINIMUM PENALTY: Suspension of further play until financial responsibility is met.

MAXIMUM PENALTY: Lifetime suspension.

SPECIAL NOTES:

1. THE LEAGUE DIRECTORS SHALL have the power and full discretion of imposing penalties on any and all violations of the Players Code of Conduct. In any violation not included in said Code, the penalty shall be at the discretion of the League Director.

2. Any participant removed from a game must leave the park or school facility immediately.

Failure to do so will carry a maximum penalty of one year suspension.

3. Any participant having been once penalized by enforcement of the "Code of Conduct" and reported again for violating the "Code of Conduct" will be subject to additional penalties open to the determination of the SANCRA Board.

4. Managers are responsible for actions of their participants and spectators at all times during a SANCRA activity or event and will be disciplined accordingly.

5. The term participant shall include players, coaches and fans where appropriate. Managers are responsible for the actions of their fans.

6. Any individual or team who is placed on probation or suspension for violation of items aforementioned in this Code of Conduct is automatically on probation or suspension for ALL ACTIVITIES sponsored by member cities/organizations during the effected period.

SANCRA CODE OF CONDUCT IS ENFORCED AND HONORED BY ALL S.A.N.C.R.A. AGENCIES, LEAGUES AND TOURNAMENTS. PARTICIPANTS ATTEMPTING TO PLAY IN S.A.N.C.R.A. -- SANCTIONED EVENTS AFTER BEING SUSPENDED WILL BE SUBJECT TO FURTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS.

SANCRA MEMBER CITIES/ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDE:

- City of Campbell
- City of Mountain View
- City of Santa Clara
- City of Cupertino
- North Monterey County
- City of Santa Cruz
- City of Gilroy
- City of Pacific Grove
- City of Scotts Valley
- City of Hollister
- City of Palo Alto
- City of Sunnyvale
- City of Los Altos
- City of San Jose
- Team Sports Now
- LGS Recreation
- I.O.O.F. San Lorenzo Valley
- Vintage Softball of Santa Clara County
- City of Milpitas
- City of Watsonville

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